



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
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<b>Applicant:</b>	Brightman, et al.	<b>Paper No.:</b> 8
<b>Application No:</b>	09/674,864	<b>Group Art Unit:</b> 2154
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**Title:** *Digital communications processor*

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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Submission with an RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

**AMENDMENT**

**Status of the prosecution**

Applicants received a final Office action in this application mailed June 6, 2005 in which Examiner rejected claims 14-16 under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by Hansen and claims 17-23 under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious in light of Hansen in combination with various other references. Applicants are amending claim 14, which is the only independent claim, to better distinguish their invention from Hansen and have thereby overcome the rejections of the claims.

**Please amend claims 14-23 as follows:**